



UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES  
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:  
David DeRogatis *et al.*  
Serial No.: 10/613,605  
Filed: July 3, 2003  
For: **FASTENERS, RAILING  
SYSTEM AND METHOD OF  
ASSEMBLY**

Group Art Unit: 3679  
Examiner: Ernesto Garcia

May 13, 2005

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111**

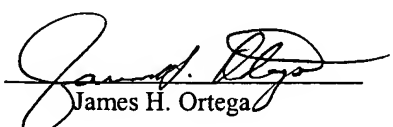
In response to the Office Action mailed December 17, 2004, the following amendments and remarks are submitted for the Examiner's consideration. Applicants note that the five month deadline for filing a response to the Office Action is May 17, 2005; thus, the Applicants request a two-month extension of time to file this Amendment.

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